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Diagnostic Algorithm for Cyclospora

Archived Webinar

Description: Over the past few months, a large outbreak of *Cyclospora cayetanensis* has been confirmed in the United States. The diagnosis of *Cyclospora cayetanensis* is based upon the morphologic characteristics of oocysts found in stool specimens. This webinar will address the importance of using fluorescence microscopy for rapid and efficient diagnosis of *Cyclospora*, the significance of using molecular techniques for confirmatory testing, and the need for epidemiologic surveillance.

Objectives: At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:

- Describe the morphological characteristics of Cyclospora cayetanensis.
- Identify the testing methods available for the diagnosis of Cyclospora.
- Recognize the importance of positive Cyclospora results and the required relationship with epidemiologic surveillance.

Speaker: Henry Bishop, Microbiologist, Parasitic Diseases Branch/DPDx, Center of Global Health, CDC

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Multistate Outbreak of Meningitis and Other Fungal Infections: Development of Diagnostic Testing in a Large Outbreak Situation

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Description: This presentation will describe the laboratory development, validation, and testing activities that occurred during the multistate outbreak of fungal meningitis and other infections in 2012-2013, the largest healthcare-associated outbreak in the United States.

Objectives: At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:

- Associate the public health laboratory response during the fungal meningitis outbreak.
- Recognize the role of state and local public health laboratories during the outbreak.

Speaker: Mary E. Brandt, PhD, Chief, Mycotic Diseases Branch, National Center for Emerging & Zoonotic Infectious Diseases, CDC

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M.A.S.T.E.R: An Updated Resource for Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing Training

Archived Webinar

Description: This presentation will introduce the audience to the updated MASTER program as a resource for antimicrobial susceptibility testing training. Recent changes in recommendations for detecting antimicrobial resistance will also be described.

Objectives: At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:

- Recommend new and forthcoming resources for antimicrobial susceptibility testing.
- Describe the scope of training opportunities in MASTER.

Speaker: Jean B. Patel, PhD, Deputy Director, Office of Antimicrobial Resistance, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, National Center for Emerging & Zoonotic Infectious Diseases, CDC

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